

ITALIAN ROB ROY

Alfano a Man of Great Power
In the Camorra

WELCOMED TO GOTHAM

Bandit's Liberty Ended, but Perhaps
Only Temporarily, by Descent of
Detectives Upon an Underground
Resort—A Leader of Cutthroats

New York, April 23.—A police raid on an obscure resort in the underground world of the East Side has brought to light the romantic story of an Italian bandit of great secret power, who, fleeing from his native country to escape arrest for assassination, came to America to wield the same power which was his abroad.

The man is Enrico Alfano, called "Er-Riccone," head of the mysterious "Camorra di Napoli," or Camorra, an Italian organization of terrorists. When the police raided an East Side den one night last week Alfano was discovered crouching into a corner, seeking to escape the glare of the policeman's lantern. He has been held without bail until today on the charge of murder, but unless the necessary requisition papers have arrived from Italy, or some strong representations are made from Rome to the government at Washington, it seems likely he will be given his freedom.

Death was the punishment inflicted on Giuseppe Cuccolo, a pretender to the position of ruler of the Camorristi, and Alfano is declared to have been the slayer of his rival. The pretender was lured to a forest where he was stabbed to death. It is claimed by Alfano and his conspirators. Then the wife of Cuccolo was condemned. Alfano and his men called at the Cuccolo's home and when the wife opened the door she was stabbed, her body pierced by a dozen slender shafts of steel.

Alfano and the conspirators, always protected by the far-reaching Camorra, seemed immune from prosecution. Indeed, he was held by the populace as a demigod, possessed of mysterious power, free to roam at will unhindered because enveloped with some divine authority, invulnerable as to bullets, and impossible of capture. With his stronghold at Naples, the Camorra stretched out in all directions, carrying on systematic terrorism, robberies, blackmail and other forms of crime, a huge and fine spun web to ensnare many victims, which was directed always by Alfano, and which always safeguarded him from misadventure. Then suddenly Alfano disappeared.

The scene changes quickly to America and to the Italian settlement of New York. Camorra, like the Mafia, thrived and was feared here too, with all its sinister machinations which baffled the police, even the Italian detectives. By the New York Camorra the chief was greeted with many honors. A feast was prepared in recognition of the coming of the leader and Alfano was banqueted at the Pastrocchio.

But this feast was his undoing. He was spied upon by a follower of the murdered pretender and the word was passed to Petrosini and Archipoli, New York's Italian detectives. Their subsequent descent upon the East Side underground resort ended the bandit's liberty.

Alfano is not much over 35 years of age and of little and graceful build. His face, of dark Italian regularity, would be insistently handsome if it were not marred by an ugly scar extending from his mouth almost to his left ear, an enduring reminder of an encounter with an enemy. As he stood up before Magistrate House, in the police court, Alfano had all the appearance of an Italian of high rank. He wore a suit of fine texture, moulded to his slender form.

He was attended by counsel, who asked for bail, which the justice refused. Alfano was committed to the Tombs until today. The utmost endeavors of the police to discover Alfano's headquarters have been futile. They realize, however, that powerful influences are with him in his present predicament, and are not at all certain that they can hold him for extradition.

A CRIMINAL IMMIGRANT

Federal Authorities Will Send Alfano
Back to Italy

New York, April 23.—Enrico Alfano, alleged leader in Italy of the secret and criminal Camorra society of Naples, who was arrested in this city last week during a police raid on the East Side, has been turned over to the immigration authorities, by whom he will be deported to Italy. Alfano escaped deportation to Italy.

In the Tombs court the defendant was discharged on the murder complaint, but was immediately turned over to the federal authorities and removed to Ellis Island. Commissioner of Immigration Watchorn said he would be deported within a few days as a criminal immigrant. The name of Alfano is known all over Italy because of his leadership of the mysterious Camorra.

Ten Senatorial Aspirants

Madison, Wis., April 19.—A deadlock exists in the contest for the seat in the United States senate occasioned by the resignation of Senator Spooner and there appears no sign of an election. There are 10 candidates.

NOT THE MARVIN BOY

Little Fellow Held at Gloversville Greatly Resembled Kidnapped Child
Gloversville, N. Y., April 22.—Myles Standish, a nephew of Dr. H. M. Marvin of Dover, Del., father of Horace Marvin, Jr., the kidnapped boy, arrived in Gloversville yesterday to see the child held here on suspicion that he is the kidnapped Horace Marvin. Standish went at once to the place where the boy was stopping with the woman alleged to be the wife of A. H. Allen, the suspected kidnapper, and saw the child. He carefully examined the lad and romped and played with him for half an hour before he became thoroughly convinced that the boy was not Horace Marvin.

Standish acknowledged that the resemblance was striking, but when he came to examine the boy closely there were many points of difference. The boy's face is elongated, while that of the Marvin boy was round. The latter had a scar over his right eye from a cut. The boy here has a scar over his right eye, but it was from a burn. The boy held by the local police has hair several shades darker than Horace Marvin's and the latter's teeth were regular and in fine condition, while the boy here to identify has irregular and poor teeth. The Marvin boy was not ticklish, while the boy with the Allens is extremely so. These and other points are at variance and Standish immediately wired Dr. Marvin that the child was not his son.

Allen, who was arrested as the suspected abductor, is to be taken back to Catskill to answer to the charge of jumping a bond bill, and the woman and boy were released. The two latter left the city late yesterday.

Death of Benedict Gimbel

New York, April 23.—Benedict Gimbel, the millionaire merchant of Philadelphia, who cut his throat in the Palace hotel, Hoboken, after being arrested in a cab with William H. Clark, a lame boy of 10, and who then is alleged to have tried to bribe detectives not to arrest him, is dead. His brothers had been led to believe that they could meet the charges against him on the plea of insanity and they were laying their plans accordingly. It was pointed out to them that the charges on which he would be prosecuted were most grave and that only a plea of insanity could be expected to overcome the evidence.

Scientist Leader a Suicide

Boston, April 20.—Suffering from hysteria, Miss Mary E. Tomlinson, sister of Rev. Irving C. Tomlinson, former first leader of the Christian Science church of Concord, N. H., leaped from a fourth-story window of the Parker house, dying about two hours later. Miss Tomlinson was prominent in the Christian Science denomination and up to year ago was second reader in the Concord church. When the term of her brother as first reader expired she also retired from her position. Since then she had been active as a healer. She was 35 years of age.

Whalemen Short of Food

New Bedford, Mass., April 22.—The whaling bark Greyhound was brought into port from a four years' cruise with her crew in almost a starving condition, having subsisted on hard tack during the past 10 days. The Greyhound was sighted off the coast on Thursday and anchored south of Martha's Vineyard Saturday. A tug picked her up yesterday and towed her into port.

Prince to Visit United States

Stockholm, April 22.—The Swedish cruiser Pygma, commanded by Prince Wilhelm, King Oscar's grandson, will visit the Jamestown Exposition for a week during July and then will go to New York, Boston and other American ports. Prince Wilhelm is the second son of Crown Prince Gustave of Sweden. He is 33 years old.

Wheat Gain Offsets Fruit Loss

Omaha, April 22.—As a result of the unprecedented warm weather which prevailed during the greater part of the month of March and the freezing weather and heavy snowfall of the last few days, early fruit has been injured, but the benefits resulting to the grain crops from the snowstorm more than offset the damage.

Great Maple Sugar Output

Rutland, Vt., April 19.—Estimates of the total output of maple sugar this season indicate that it will be the largest in 15 years, reaching probably 20,000,000 pounds. The average output of each tree this season is four pounds. Last year 5,000,000 were tapped, and the number this season is probably fully as great.

Sheriff's Son Killed by Judge

Lynchburg, Va., April 23.—At Oakridge, the Virginia estate of Thomas F. Ryan, Judge W. G. Loving, superintendent of the estate, shot and killed Theodore I. Estes, son of the sheriff of Nelson county. The judge surrendered. It is understood that the tragedy was caused by domestic trouble.

Taft's Trip Is Ended

Washington, April 23.—Secretary of War Taft and party arrived at the Washington navy yard on board the Mayflower last night after an absence of exactly a month on a trip that included Panama, Cuba and Porto Rico. The secretary said he found satisfactory conditions in the places he visited.

Life Sentence For Murder

Boston, April 23.—Herman C. Wiles, who pleaded guilty of murder in the second degree, was sentenced to a life term in the state prison by Justice Brown in the superior criminal court. Wiles killed his sweetheart, Mabel V. Williams.

COLT FOR SENATOR

But State Republican Committee's Advice May Not Be Followed
Providence, April 23.—After 13 weeks of deadlock, during which time 56 ballots have been cast for a United States senator to succeed George P. Wetmore, the executive committee of the Republican state committee declared in favor of Samuel P. Colt of Bristol, and urged that all Republican members of the general assembly cast their votes for Colt, who, throughout the contest, has been supported by a majority of the Republican members of the legislature. The declaration in favor of Colt was carried by a vote of 9 to 4. Among those who supported the resolution in Colt's favor was Charles R. Brayton, national committeeman from his state.

In view of the split in the party organization, it is difficult to tell what effect it will have on the members of the legislature today, the last day of the session. The leaders of the Wetmore faction state that the senator is still a candidate and that he will maintain his strength in today's voting. Should their expectations be fulfilled, the state will have only one representative at the next session of the United States senate.

Finding in Larchmont Disaster

New London, Conn., April 23.—Steamboat inspectors Wither and Steward have made public their finding in the steamer Larchmont marine disaster on the night of Feb. 11, when upward of 100 lives were lost in the sinking of the steamer after collision with the schooner Harry Knowlton in Block Island sound. The responsibility for the collision is laid upon Pilot Anson of the Larchmont, who was drowned, and Captain McVay is practically exonerated, though not commended for his efforts to save lives. The schooner is declared to have been sailing in full compliance with the navigating rules.

Automobile Kills a Boy

Boston, April 23.—In Mattapan square last evening 12-year-old Albert Rasmussen was run over and killed by an automobile operated by W. T. Costello of Malden. The car proceeded some distance after striking the boy, but when the chauffeur realized what had happened he hastened to the boy's side. Finding that the boy was dead, the chauffeur and two other men carried the body to the Mattapan police substation, a short distance away. Costello was allowed to leave the station after giving his name and the number of the vehicle.

Robens Jury Likely to Disagree

Houlton, Me., April 23.—The jury in the supreme court had arrived at no verdict early this morning in the case of Juan Robens, who has been on trial on the charge of murder on account of the shooting of Edgar Dickinson at Smyrna Mills. It was 11:15 o'clock yesterday forenoon when the jury retired and began its deliberations. Late yesterday afternoon the jurymen reported that they were unable to agree, but Judge Spear ordered them to return and renew their efforts to reach a verdict.

Alleged Poisoner of Brother

Belfast, Me., April 23.—Grover Gray, aged 22, was arrested at his home in Troy and brought here on the charge of placing paris green in the food of his brother, George Gray, who lives alone at Troy. George Gray, who is a farmer about 35 years old, was made seriously sick by drinking coffee in which a quantity of the poison had been placed. Conditions are considered fair for his recovery.

Bryan and Douglas Confer

Boston, April 23.—William J. Bryan spent yesterday in conferences with several Democratic leaders, including former Governor Douglas. Douglas admitted that his conversation with Bryan was on the tariff. In a speech at the Mayors' club Bryan advocated the granting of corporation franchises by the people instead of by the mayor or city council.

Suspected of Setting Fires

Adams, Mass., April 23.—Because three buildings on the farm of Walter P. Horne in this town were mysteriously burned at different times within a week, William Rumbold, aged 21, a farmhand, formerly employed by Horne, was arrested. Rumbold was held for a hearing on May 6, bonds of \$1000, which he was unable to furnish, being required.

Brush Fire Proved Serious

Lawrence, Mass., April 23.—Two farmhouses were destroyed and many acres of woodland burned over near the shore of Canobie lake, N. H. A rubbish fire on the premises of a farmer is said to have started the trouble and the high winds blew the flames rapidly through the underbrush in the woods. The damage is estimated at \$10,000.

Warning to Milk Producers

Boston, April 23.—The state board of health has sent notices to 41 milk producers in southern New Hampshire, notifying them that if they desire to continue to ship milk into Massachusetts they must clean their premises and cows and make improvements in their methods of producing, handling and storing milk.

Hair Slasher to Be Deported

Boston, April 23.—Frank Gallo, the young Italian who was recently convicted of hair slashing, will be sent back to Italy instead of serving a sentence in the house of correction. The police believe that Gallo is responsible for the numerous cases of hair slashing which occurred during the past year.

PEACE PILGRIMS

Stead Would Send Ten American
Delegates to Europe

HARVARD MEN APPROVE

Latter Take Steps Toward Raising
Fund of \$100,000—Professor Munsterberg Balks and Gives Evidence
of Extreme Vexation

Cambridge, Mass., April 23.—A mass meeting of Harvard students, in the Union last night, endorsed William T. Stead's plan of sending an American peace delegation to Europe and furthered Stead's request that Harvard should take the lead in raising money for the movement by the appointment of a college committee.

Professor Munsterberg, who was the presiding officer, is the professor of psychology in the university and one of the German delegates at the recent peace conference. He refused to entertain the motion for the appointment of a committee, saying that the meeting which Stead had just addressed was a chance gathering and not a representative one as far as Harvard was concerned. He said that he did not believe that the meeting had authority to start such a movement on the part of Harvard, and that he would leave the chair before he would put such a motion, which he accordingly did. When he stepped from the platform, Professor William James, the professor of philosophy at the university, took his place and the plan was quickly adopted and the committee appointed.

Mr. Stead spoke for nearly an hour to a crowded hall, describing many of the features of the recent peace conference and recounting the conditions in Europe. In conclusion he repeated his belief that the only practical way to bring about peace was for the nations to know each other better.

"The best way for this to be done is to send a delegation from one country to another and I suggest that 10 American pilgrims be sent to Europe. It will cost about \$100,000 and the money should be raised by the colleges. I would suggest that Harvard, as the oldest, take the lead.

Scarcely had Stead taken his seat when L. K. Banigan, a student of the law school, moved that a committee of 10 be appointed to take charge of the movement on the part of Harvard. Munsterberg refused to put the motion to the meeting and explained his action in the course of his speech.

Professor James, who was on the platform, asked Munsterberg for more definite reasons for refusing to entertain the motion. These Munsterberg refused to give and left the chair and the building. After the adoption of the motion of Banigan, James appointed the committee consisting of 10 students, and after the committee had conferred with Stead it was announced that a permanent committee had been elected, consisting of the four class presidents, the vice president of the Union and three undergraduates, to see what Harvard should do in carrying out Stead's plans.

Four Murder Suspects

Dayton, O., April 22.—Released on bonds, the mother and son for \$2500 and the two daughters for \$1000 each, and after having waived examination under a plea of not guilty, the members of the Gilman family, charged with procuring the death of Dona Gilman, await the action of the next grand jury. The body of Dona Gilman was found on the Commons within sight of her home early on the morning of Nov. 22 last.

Missing Treasurer Gives Himself Up

Springfield, Mass., April 19.—John D. White, former city clerk and treasurer of Chicopee, who has been missing since Aug. 25 last, walked into the police station last night and gave himself up. After his departure a shortage of about \$3500 was found in his accounts and he is now under indictment by the Hampden county grand jury. White appears to be a mental wreck.

Michigan Presidential Sentiment

Detroit, April 22.—The Free Press printed statements from 28 Republican and Democratic state committeemen, replying to inquiries regarding the next presidential nominee. Most of the Republicans confined themselves to President Roosevelt. Of the Democratic committeemen all but one named Mr. Bryan as first choice for the nomination.

Investments Were Unfortunate

New Haven, April 19.—The directors of the National Tradesman's bank here accepted the resignation of President Fields. The statement was given out that the resignation is due to the fact that as trustee of various estates, including that of the late Mrs. Heffield, Fields had made unfortunate investments.

Twenty-Five Lives Probably Lost

St. Petersburg, April 22.—Twenty-five persons are believed to have been drowned by the foundering of the river steamer Archangel while she was crossing the Neva. The accident occurred during a snowstorm and was caused by her striking an ice floe.

Cuba Suffering From Drought

Havana, April 22.—Prayers were offered in all the churches throughout the island yesterday for rain, which has not fallen for six months. The country is parched, many cattle are dying and forest fires are devastating various sections.

LOWERED THE RECORD

Longboat, the Indian Runner, Captures Marathon Road Race
Boston, April 20.—Thomas Longboat, the Indian runner of the West End Y. M. C. A., Toronto, broke the record for the Boston Athletic association's 25-mile Marathon road race, from Ashland to Boston, and defeated a field of 114 runners after the most closely contested race since the event was inaugurated in 1897.

Longboat covered the distance in 2 h. 24m. 20.4-5s. 5m. 2.4-5s faster than the previous record. Robert Fowler of the Cambridgeport (Mass.) Gymnasium association finished second, also within the previous record. His time was 2h. 27m. 54.4-5s. John J. Hayes, St. Bartholomew club, New York, was third in 2h. 30m. 38.3-5s.

All the leaders finished in good condition, although nearly all showed signs of the terrific strain of the race, and there were several sharp contests for places as the runners came into the last few miles.

As Longboat, never faltering in his long, mechanical stride, passed through this city to the finish line, he was given an ovation by fully 100,000 people, who, despite the rain, had waited in the streets for hours in order to see the finish.

Six minutes after the third man the runners came in to the finish only seconds apart, nearly all running well within themselves.

Allowed Child to Marry Negro

Rochester, April 20.—Fred Hitchcock of Olean was last night fined \$50 and sent to the penitentiary for six months for consenting to the marriage of his 15-year-old daughter to a negro, Charles Jones, last week. He was convicted on the charge of violating public decency. The girl was placed in the charge of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. Her mother is dead. The ceremony was performed by a negro preacher, who has been held for the grand jury.

Believers in "Unwritten Law"

St. Louis, April 24.—Fifty-three men out of a venire of 100 summoned for the trial of Policeman Michael J. McNamara, charged with killing his wife and John J. Brophy, her paramour, were excused by Judge Sale after they had sworn they believed in the "unwritten law." Each of the 53 said he would refuse to vote for conviction if the "unwritten law" was pleaded in McNamara's defense.

Foraker Has Dick's Support

Akron, O., April 23.—Senator Dick, who has just returned from Washington, declares that in the coming political contest in Ohio he will do whatever he can for Senator Foraker. If the contest should fall between Roosevelt and Foraker, he says, the vote now would probably favor the president. A year from the coming June, he added, the result would be different.

No Change of Venue For Thaw

New York, April 23.—District Attorney Jerome states that he has no intention of either asking for or consenting to a change of venue for the next trial of Harry K. Thaw. Clifford W. Hart, Jr., of counsel for Thaw, says that, so far as he knows, no move is contemplated looking toward holding the second Thaw trial outside of New York city.

Silent as to Citizenship

San Juan, P. R., April 19.—Regis H. Post was inaugurated governor of Porto Rico yesterday, in succession to Boekman Winthrop, who is to become assistant secretary of the treasury at Washington. In his inaugural address Post made no reference to the matter of citizenship or other native political aspirations.

Predicts Loss of Bible's Influence

Thaca, N. Y., April 22.—"Future religious leaders," said Professor Schmidt, the noted Semitic student, before an audience of Cornell students yesterday, "will subtract from and add to the Bible as Luther and Calvin did. Its religious influence will soon vanish."

Theatre Ticket Scalping Stopped

Springfield, Ill., April 23.—Governor Deussen last night signed the theatre scalping bill, which forbids the sale of theatre tickets through brokers at prices other than those printed on the tickets or those obtaining at the box offices of the play houses.

NEW ENGLAND BRIEFS

More than 500 bales of cotton belonging to the Blackstone Manufacturing company was practically destroyed by fire at Woonsocket, R. I., the loss being \$30,000. The fire is believed to have originated from spontaneous combustion.

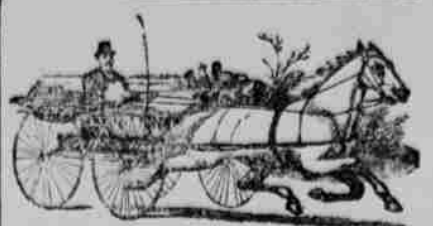
Margaret McDonald, 35 years old, a domestic, committed suicide at Lawrence, Mass., by taking gas. It is believed that she was despondent over a love affair.

Rev. Dr. W. M. Hess, recorder at Yale university for the past three years, has accepted a call to the pastorate of Trinity Congregational church, New York city.

Liabilities aggregating \$91,231 are named in the schedule of Ray S. Cogswell of Brookline, Mass., who was petitioned into involuntary bankruptcy. The assets are estimated at \$11,050.

George Petrie, 25 years old, single, a railroad yardman, was caught between buffers while coupling cars at Bangor, Me., and died from his injuries.

There will be no legislation regarding the death penalty in Massachusetts this year. The joint judiciary committee of the legislature reported leave to withdraw on a bill providing for the abolishment of the death penalty.



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